

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 5 and 17, and amend claims 1, 12 and 14 as follows:

1. (Currently amended) A tool chuck for a rotary power hand tool of the type which has an elongated generally cylindrical housing containing a motor having a motor output shaft with a hollow end portion and a threaded outer surface extending from a nose end thereof, the housing having a generally cylindrical nose end portion that is concentric with said motor output shaft, said nose end portion having at least one light emitting device that directs light generally in a direction that is parallel to the output shaft, said tool chuck comprising:

a cylindrical body portion having a concentrically aligned conically shaped chamber, the top of which communicates with a tool opening, a base portion having a threaded base opening communicating with said chamber, said base portion being threadable on the motor output shaft;

an annular cylindrical light transmitting portion attached to said body portion for transmitting light from the light emitting device of the hand tool to the area of the tool shank inserted into said tool opening, the surface of said light transmitting portion closest to the free end of the tool being angled inwardly to direct transmitted light inwardly toward the axis of said tool.

2. (Original) A tool chuck as defined in claim 1 further comprising a core positioned in said chamber and base opening, said core having a stem portion configured to extend into the hollow end portion of the motor output shaft, said core having an annular flange configured to contact the end surface of said output shaft;

a plurality of elongated jaws positioned in said chamber and configured to be moved inwardly to contact and hold a tool shank inserted into said tool opening as said core is moved toward said tool opening when said base portion is threaded onto the motor output shaft.

3. (Original) A tool chuck as defined in claim 1 wherein said light transmitting portion is a transparent material.

4. (Original) A tool chuck as defined in claim 3 wherein said transparent material is polyester.

5. Cancelled.

6. (Original) A tool chuck as defined in claim 2 where said plurality of elongated jaws comprises three jaws that are generally equally spaced around the periphery of said conical chamber.

7. (Original) A tool chuck as defined in claim 2 further comprising at least one spring for biasing said jaws toward the periphery of said chamber.

8. (Original) A tool chuck as defined in claim 1 further comprising a grip material bonded to said light transmitting portion.

9. (Original) A tool chuck as defined in claim 8 wherein said grip material is a resilient rubber or rubberlike material.

10. (Original) A tool chuck as defined in claim 1 wherein said light transmitting portion has a surface configuration that is conducive to a user gripping the same to selectively thread it on and off of the motor output shaft.

11. (Original) A tool chuck as defined in claim 10 wherein said surface configuration is in the form of axially oriented raised ribs spaced from one another around the periphery of the light transmitting portion.

12. (Currently amended) ~~A tool chuck as defined in claim 1 wherein~~ A tool chuck for a rotary power hand tool of the type which has an elongated generally cylindrical housing containing a motor having a motor output shaft with a hollow end portion and a threaded outer surface extending from a nose end thereof, the housing having a generally cylindrical nose end portion that is concentric with said motor output shaft, said nose end portion having at least one light emitting device that directs light generally in a direction that is parallel to the output shaft, said tool chuck comprising:

a cylindrical body portion having a concentrically aligned conically shaped chamber, the top of which communicates with a tool opening, a base portion having a threaded base opening communicating with said chamber, said base portion being

threadable on the motor output shaft, said body portion has having a raised hex head portion adjacent said tool opening; and

an annular cylindrical light transmitting portion attached to said body portion for transmitting light from the light emitting device of the hand tool to the area of the tool shank inserted into said tool opening.

13. (Original) A tool chuck as defined in claim 1 wherein the hand tool has two light emitting devices located on opposite sides of the output shaft, spaced apart from one another approximately the same distance as the diameter of said light transmitting portion of said tool chuck.

14. (Currently amended) Apparatus for use with a rotary power hand tool of the type which has an elongated generally cylindrical housing containing a motor having a motor output shaft with a hollow end portion and a threaded outer surface extending from a nose end thereof, the housing having a generally cylindrical nose end portion that is concentric with said motor output shaft, said nose end portion having at least one light emitting device that directs light generally in a direction that is parallel to the output shaft, said apparatus comprising:

a tool chuck configured to be attached to the motor output shaft and being rotatable thereon to selectively tighten and loosen a tool shank placed in the chuck;

an annular cylindrical light transmitting portion attached to said body portionchuck for transmitting light from the light emitting device of the hand tool to the area of the tool shank inserted into said tool opening, the surface of said light transmitting portion closest to the free end of the tool being angled inwardly to deflect transmitted light inwardly toward the axis of the output shaft.

15. (Original) Apparatus as defined in claim 14 wherein said light transmitting portion is a transparent material.

16. (Original) Apparatus as defined in claim 15 wherein said transparent material is polyester.

17. Cancelled.

18. (Original) Apparatus as defined in claim 14 further comprising a grip material bonded to said light transmitting portion.

19. (Original) Apparatus as defined in claim 18 wherein said grip material is a resilient rubber or rubberlike material.